

Appl No. 09/992,461  
Reply to Office action of 04/21/05  
Amendment/Response date: July 21, 2005

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The applicant acknowledges with thanks the non-final Office Action mailed April 21, 2005 from the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicant is this Amendment and Response to Office Action, which is responsive to the April 21, 2005 Office Action.

In the last Office Action, the examiner indicated that claim 7 was allowable if rewritten in independent form containing all of the elements of the base claim and all intervening claims, therefore, new claim 33 which is the equivalent of claim 7 rewritten in independent form and containing all of the elements of the base claim and all intervening claims should be in condition for allowance. Claims 34-43 are directly dependent from claim 33 and should therefore also be in condition for allowance.

In the last Office Action, the examiner indicated that claim 11 was allowable if rewritten in independent form containing all of the elements of the base claim and all intervening claims, therefore, new claim 44 which is the equivalent of claim 11 rewritten in independent form and containing all of the elements of the base claim and all intervening claims should be in condition for allowance. Claims 45-53 are directly dependent from claim 44 and should therefore also be in condition for allowance.

In the last Office Action, the examiner indicated that claim 23 was allowable if rewritten in independent form containing all of the elements of the base claim and all intervening claims, therefore, new claim 54 which is the equivalent of claim 23 rewritten in independent form and containing all of the elements of the base claim and all intervening claims should be in condition for allowance. Claims 55-64 are directly dependent from claim 54 and should therefore also be in condition for allowance.

In the last Office Action, the examiner indicated that claim 27 was allowable if rewritten in independent form containing all of the elements of the base claim and all intervening claims, therefore, new claim 65 which is the equivalent of claim 27 rewritten in independent form and containing all of the elements of the base claim and all intervening claims should be in condition for allowance. Claims 66-73 are directly dependent from claim 65 and should therefore also be in condition for allowance.

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### III. Conclusion

For the reasons set forth above, all of the claims of this application now pending should be in condition for allowance. If there are any fees necessitated by the foregoing communication, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0902, referencing our Docket No. 72255/02659.

Respectfully submitted,

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